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The Maryland State Police Berlin Barrack joined other law enforcement agencies to participate in the Law Enforcement Torch Run leading up to the Special Olympics Maryland Summer Games. (Photo courtesy of Chris Parypa)

MSP Participates In Law Enforcement Torch Run For Special Olympics MD

(PIKESVILLE, MD) — Troopers across Maryland joined fellow law enforcement officers in running with a purpose last month.

Maryland State Police once again participated in the annual Law Enforcement Torch Run in support of Special Olympics MD.

Troopers from Western Maryland to Westminster to Bel Air, Ocean City and Southern Maryland helped carry the Flame of Hope, which ultimately made its way to Towson University for the opening ceremonies of the Special Olympics Maryland Summer Games. The games took place from June 7-9.

"It's an honor to come out and run for a worthy cause," Sgt. Anthony Riley, of the MSP Training Academy, told

WBAL-TV during the Carroll Co. leg of the Torch Run.

Similar law enforcement torch runs are held all in all 50 states as a fundraiser for and to raise awareness about Special Olympics.

The Law Enforcement Torch Run dates back to 1981, when it was created by Wichita (Kansas) Police Chief Richard LaMunyon. Last year, the Maryland Law Enforcement Torch Run raised more than \$3 million for athletes to be able to train and compete.

More than 1,500 athletes competed in the Maryland Summer Games free-of-charge thanks to this and other fundraising efforts.



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PHOTOS: 2019 Law Enforcement Torch Run



MSP Easton Barrack Torch Run Team



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Troopers from southern Maryland to Baltimore County to Ocean City joined hundreds of police officers and first responders across the state in June for the annual Law Enforcement Torch Run to benefit Special Olympics Maryland. The tradition has been in place nationally since 1981 and has provided an amazing lead-in to the annual Special Olympics Maryland Summer Games, which took place from June 7-9 at Towson University.



MSP Berlin Barrack Torch Run Team



MSP Golden Ring Barrack Torch Run Team

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Commercial Vehicle Inspection Initiative Places 100 Out Of Service Due To Safety Concerns



(LANHAM, MD) – A combined law enforcement initiative June 4th in Prince George's County involved the inspection of nearly 500 commercial vehicles and resulted in 24 percent of them being placed out-of-service for a variety of critical safety violations. Out-of-service declarations require that repairs be made to correct the violations before the vehicle can head back onto the highway. This event coincided with the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance's 72-hour International Roadcheck event.

Assisted by personnel from eight different enforcement agencies, troopers, commercial vehicle safety inspectors and cadets from the Maryland State Police Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division

conducted one of their largest inspection operations of the year. Commercial vehicles on I-495/95 were directed into the parking lot at FedEx Field where county, state and federal inspectors stood by to conduct a variety of safety and equipment inspections, as well as size and weight checks. In all, 80 traffic citations and 191 warnings were issued.

Participating agencies included the Maryland Transportation Authority Police, Montgomery County Police Department, Loudon County (VA) Police Department, Maryland Department of the Environment, Maryland Comptroller's Office, United States Park Police, United States Department of Homeland Security, and the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration.



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Hagerstown Barrack Open House Promotes Public Safety Career Opportunities

(HAGERSTOWN, MD) – Plenty of people turned out June 1st at the Hagerstown Barrack for a Public Safety Open House.

Members of the community were invited to attend this free event which had several live action demonstrations, food vendors, games and prizes for people of all ages. The purpose of the open house was to display the variety of services the men and women of the Maryland State Police provide to citizens.

Among the units that put on demonstrations and displays were the motorcycle unit, K-9 unit, bomb disposal unit, crime scene technicians, STATE Team, underwater recovery team and many more.



Additionally, there was a live action recreation of a car crash with troopers, fire and EMS responding to extricate a simulated injured driver. The injured party was even transported from the scene by a Maryland State Police helicopter.

A primary focus of the event was recruiting for careers in public safety. Recruiters from the Maryland State Police as well as numerous other federal, state and local agencies were on hand to answer questions and take applications.

Among the agencies represented were the Maryland Army National Guard, Frederick City Police, Maryland Natural Resources Police, Washington County Sheriff's Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Secret Service and Drug Enforcement Agency.

This exciting event had something for everyone. The event was geared both to prospective applicants as well as families and children. Children at the event also had the opportunity to be sworn in as honorary state troopers.



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Safety Tip of the Month

If you are one of Maryland's 283,000 registered motorcycle riders, here are some simple tips to keep you safe while out on the road:

- **Be visible:** Keep headlights lit when required. Use smart lane positioning so motorists can see you.
- **Be reactive:** Give yourself space to react. Change lanes gradually
- **Be courteous:** Signal your intentions and avoid weaving through traffic.



Flight paramedic TFC Jeffrey Kelly and pilot Claude Boushey, along with flight paramedic TFC Edward Strapp (not pictured) and pilot Kyle Wallick (not pictured) recently joined staff at the Johns Hopkins Hospital to honor survivors of traumatic injuries

Aviation Command Honors Survivors Of Traumatic Injuries

(BALTIMORE) — Members of the Maryland State Police Aviation Command recently joined staff at the Johns Hopkins Hospital to honor survivors of traumatic injuries.

The hospital hosted its second annual Trauma Survivors Day, where members of the Johns Hopkins staff shared the success stories of three patients from around the state.

One of those honored was a patient injured in a motorcycle wreck in April 2018. Because this patient sustained life-threatening injuries, EMS providers in Anne Arundel County requested that he be flown to a trauma center. Trooper 2, which is based out of Joint Base Andrews, responded to the scene and provided

resuscitative care during the flight to Johns Hopkins Hospital, which is a Level 1 trauma center.

The patient underwent immediate life-saving surgeries and continues to receive treatment from a multidisciplinary team to aid in his recovery. For a few hours in the afternoon, the patient got to meet and thank many of those involved in his care.

The crew members from Trooper 2 — flight paramedics TFC Jeffrey Kelly and TFC Edward Strapp and pilots Mr. Kyle Wallick and Mr. Claude Boushey — were among the first in that chain of care which led this patient toward the positive outcome he experiences today.



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Centreville Barrack Participates In Community Safety Day For Personal Charitable Cause

(CENTREVILLE, MD) -- Troopers from the Centreville Barrack helped give back to the community on June 2 when they gathered for the inaugural Carmine's & Cops event to benefit The Jacob Sloan Foundation.

The concept for the event to bring the community and law enforcement together for a "Community Safety Day" came in May from the 5-year-old son of Vinny Schiano, who owns Carmine's N.Y. Pizza Kitchen in Chester, Maryland. Schiano's son actually approached Tfc. Rosdail and Tfc. Mathewson from the Centreville Barrack about the concept. The troopers then helped get others from the barrack involved in the event.

Schiano next selected a charity where proceeds from the event would go. They eventually selected The Jacob Sloan Foundation, whose mission is to make a difference by providing financial support to children and families in need, the arts, athletics and communities that need assistance. The foundation is

named after a 12-year-old boy who died in a two-vehicle crash in October 2018 on Route 50 and Outlet Center Drive in Queen Anne's County. Coincidentally, Tfc. Rosdail and Tfc. Mathewson were two of the first responding units on the scene of Jacob's accident.

Carmine's N.Y. Pizza Kitchen hosted the event on June 2, which included free face painting and balloon animals, in addition to tours of the MSP armored vehicle and K9 patrol vehicles.

Also at the event, motor vehicle safety information, State Police recruiting pamphlets, child safety seat information/installation, MSP-oriented K9 pencils, state trooper stickers and MSP coloring books were provided. Members of The Jacob Sloan Foundation, Jacob's mother, family and friends as well as numerous members of the community supported the event at Carmine's.

The community support was extremely well received.

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Multi-Jurisdictional Investigation Dismantles Drug Trafficking Organization

(CUMBERLAND, MD) – The Maryland State Police Heroin Investigative Unit, in conjunction with the Allegany County Narcotics Task Force, identified and arrested members of a drug trafficking organization for allegedly distributing fentanyl, heroin and cocaine in Allegany County and surrounding areas.

The investigation, which began in 2018, identified John James Howard, 33, of Baltimore, as the leader, supervisor, financier and manager of an illegal drug network which spanned from Baltimore City to Allegany County. Howard faces 109 drug-related charges after the Allegany County Grand Jury returned an indictment against him on May 15, 2019.

During the week of May 14, 2019, investigators from the Maryland State Police and Allegany County Narcotics Task Force served search warrants in Baltimore City, Baltimore County and Allegany County related to the investigation. During the course of the investigation, it was learned fentanyl/heroin and crack cocaine was being transported from Baltimore and stored in Allegany County. The organization would then distribute the controlled substances at locations throughout the county.



In addition to Howard, 16 co-conspirators were also indicted by the Grand Jury related to their roles in the drug trafficking organization.

The Allegany County Narcotics Task Force is a cooperative effort between the Maryland State Police, Allegany County Sheriff's Office and the Cumberland Police Department. Assisting in the investigation were members of the Maryland State Police Gang Enforcement Unit, Maryland State

Police Strike Force 7, Maryland State Police S.T.A.T.E., Garrett County Drug Task Force, Maryland State Police – Criminal Enforcement Division Western Region, Maryland State Police Golden Ring and Cumberland Barracks, Maryland State Police Homicide Unit, West Virginia State Police, Cumberland Police Department, Maryland Transportation Authority Police, Baltimore City Police and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.



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MSP Frederick Barrack Seeks To Reduce Illegal Drug Transports With ‘Border To Border’ Effort

(FREDERICK, MD) — Troopers from the Maryland State Police Frederick Barrack participated in an eastern seaboard, special enforcement effort from June 7 to 9 called, “Border to Border.”

This operation involved all state police agencies along US 15 and US 17 from New York to Florida. Troopers, including members of the Maryland State Police Motor Unit, were highly visible along the US 15 corridor as they conducted traffic and criminal enforcement. Special drug sniffing K-9's assisted troopers as they sought to reduce drug transports, especially those transports involving heroin.

The Maryland State Police Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division also conducted inspections to ensure commercial truck safety.

This operation was intended to remind citizens of the importance of safe driving practices in an effort reduce fatalities and serious crashes as traffic volumes increase during the summer months.



In conjunction with the “Border to Border” patrol, the Maryland State Police also conducted a sobriety checkpoint along US 15 in Frederick County. The checkpoint operated under the guidelines of the “Checkpoint Strikeforce” initiative.

The goal was to educate drivers of the dangers associated with drinking and driving. Specific locations were based on information received relating to

alcohol related crashes and impaired driver arrests.

If you plan to travel on any day, buckle-up, park your phone and drive sober.

The Virginia State Police, Pennsylvania State Police, New York State Police, North Carolina State Highway Patrol, South Carolina Highway Patrol, Georgia State Patrol and Florida Highway Patrol Auxiliary also participated in this initiative.



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‘Operation Broken Heart’ Nets 58 Arrests In MD

Maryland State Police Investigators Arrest 16 In Two-Month Initiative

(COLUMBIA, MD) – The work of Maryland’s Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force resulted in 58 arrests in Maryland, 16 of which were made by Maryland State Police investigators, while participating in “Operation Broken Heart,” a nationwide, two-month initiative targeting offenders of child sexual exploitation.

The Maryland Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC) was one of 61 task forces included in “Operation Broken Heart,” a two-month initiative. Members from the Maryland ICAC worked tirelessly throughout April and May, initiating 320 investigations.

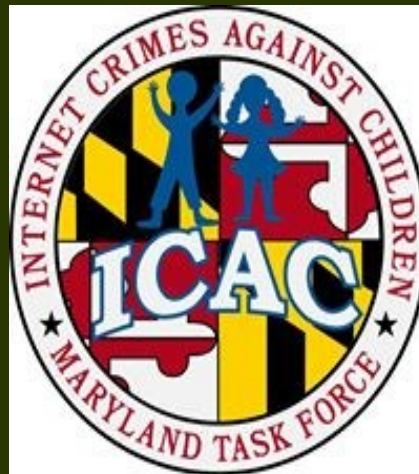
Investigators executed 110 search warrants with 58 arrests. There were also public outreach sessions, which reached nearly 1,300 people.

The coordinated effort by law enforcement represents more than 4,500 federal, state and local law enforcement agencies with the purpose of arresting child predators, along with internet safety education and outreach.

During the course of the operation, the task forces delivered more than 2,150 presentations on Internet safety to over 201,000 youth and adults nationally.

The Maryland ICAC Task Force is comprised of police agencies statewide.

They concentrated on those offenders who possess, manufacture, and distribute child pornography and who engage in online enticement of children for sexual purposes.



They also targeted crimes including child prostitution and possible human trafficking.

The Task Force’s primary mission continues to be to protect children from computer-facilitated sexual exploitation.

This goal is achieved by cooperation between law enforcement agencies and prosecutors as they combine resources to combat these crimes.

Additionally, the Task Force also provides community awareness campaigns helping to prevent the spread of these crimes through education.

The Maryland State Police Computer Crimes Unit coordinates the Maryland Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

This investigation was funded in part by grant funding provided by the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention (GOCCP) as a part of the Maryland Criminal Intelligence Network (MCIN), and a federal grant from the U.S. Department of Justice.

GOCCP provides grant funding and strategic support to MCIN partners to identify, disrupt, and dismantle criminal organizations through inter-agency collaboration and data sharing to make Maryland safer.

The Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention funded this project under subaward number, ICAC-2019-0017.



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Never Forget: Maryland State Police Continues Remembrance Of Trooper's Sacrifice 40 Years Ago

(EASTON, MD) — Trooper First Class William P. Mills Jr. may have been killed in the line of duty more than 40 years ago, but his legacy remains strong in the community where he made the ultimate sacrifice.

Tfc. Mills was honored with a remembrance ceremony on June 8 — 40 years to the day that he was killed — at Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Easton, Maryland. Tfc. Mills was 32 and had served with the state police for 8 years and 11 months at the time of his death. Tfc. Mills was killed after being shot twice while



Members of the Maryland State Police and the family of fallen Trooper First Class William P. Mills Jr. gathered to remember him on the 40th anniversary of his death.

answering a call about a domestic complaint involving neighbors. Tfc. Mills was shot with a .38 caliber pistol. He fell to the

ground and attempted to get his service revolver, when he was struck in the chest area with a bullet from a high powered rifle. Tfc. Mills also served in the Air Force during the Vietnam War.

“Even though it was a tragedy that Trooper Mills died on June 8, 1979, I want you to know that we here today are alive because of him,” said Maryland State Police Captain Prendi Garcia in an article in the *Easton Star-Democrat*. “I want you to tell this story of Trooper Mills to one other person today. We cannot ever forget the legacy and sacrifice that he made.”



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MSP Arrests Known Gang Member On Drug Charges In Baltimore City, Anne Arundel County

(GLEN BURNIE, MD) – Maryland State Police arrested a known gang member June 4th on charges stemming from a multiple month investigation into suspected drug dealing in Baltimore City and Anne Arundel County.

Dayvon Cooley, 39, of Baltimore, Maryland, is charged with possession with intent to distribute heroin, possession with intent to distribute cocaine, possession with intent to distribute fentanyl, possession of fentanyl, possession of heroin, possession of a controlled dangerous substance and possession of controlled dangerous substance paraphernalia. He was taken to the Maryland State Police Glen Burnie Barrack for processing before being transported to Baltimore City Central Booking.

According to a preliminary investigation, in May 2019 the

Maryland State Police Gang Enforcement Unit gathered information that connected Cooley, a known Bloods gang member, to supplying illicit drugs in Brooklyn Homes in Baltimore City and Brooklyn Park in Anne Arundel County. Troopers, along with detectives from the Anne Arundel County Police Department, served a search warrant June 4th at Cooley's residence, where he was arrested. The Anne Arundel County Police Department Opioid Task Force assisted with this investigation.

Investigators recovered the following as a result of the search warrant:

- 71.6 grams of suspected fentanyl
- 63.7 grams of suspected heroin/fentanyl mix
- 40.9 grams of suspected crack

cocaine

- 19 grams of suspected marijuana
- \$4,630 in suspected drug proceeds
- Multiple digital scales and hundreds of empty gel caps and vials used to package illicit drugs

The Maryland State Police will continue to arrest illicit opioid dealers statewide, regardless of jurisdictional boundaries. This investigation was made possible in part due to funds provided by the Maryland Opioid Operational Command Center. The Maryland Opioid Operational Command Center was established by Executive Order [01.01.2017.01] as part of the Hogan Administration's 2017 Heroin and Opioid Prevention, Treatment and Enforcement Initiative.



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Street Racing Initiative Leads To 120 Citations Issued in Baltimore County

(PIKESVILLE, MD) – A joint law enforcement initiative to combat aggressive driving and illegal street racing on a June Friday night led to 120 citations issued to drivers in Baltimore County.

Traffic enforcement efforts by Maryland state troopers and Baltimore County officers during the eight-hour operation resulted in 130 traffic stops on Friday, June 7, 2019.

The initiative resulted in 130 traffic stops which led to troopers and officers issuing a combined total of 120 citations, 93 warnings and 58 safety equipment repair orders. Police also made one felony arrest on an outstanding warrant, and one arrest each for impaired driving and a suspended license.

Maryland State Police from the Golden Ring Barrack, Motor Unit, Automotive Safety Enforcement Division and the Criminal Enforcement Division joined forces with the Baltimore County Police Department to combat illegal street racing in areas known for the aggressive driving behavior. The joint



enforcement effort took place in areas along Interstate 70, I-695, I-795, Baltimore National Pike, Security Boulevard and Pulaski Highway.

In 2018, a similar joint operation on I-70 and I-695 resulted in 65 traffic stops which led to troopers and officers issuing 97 citations, 33 warnings and 23 safety equipment repair orders.

To date in 2019, there have been three fatalities due to illegal street racing in Baltimore County. The Maryland State Police continue to support the Maryland Department of Transportation's campaign "Toward Zero Deaths."

These high visibility enforcement efforts are aimed at reducing the number of aggressive driving, motor vehicle crashes in which speed, alcohol and other driving violations are contributing factors to crashes on Maryland roads.

Funded in part by the Maryland Department of Transportation's (MDOT) Highway Safety Office, the Maryland State Police Golden Ring Barrack and the Baltimore County Police Department will continue their efforts to put a stop to illegal street racing and deter others from being a part of such illegal activity. Future initiatives are planned to continue to combat the issue.



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First Sgt. Brett Canfield is the commander of the Maryland State Police Motorcycle Unit and an instructor for the BikeSafe Maryland program, a free program designed to offer free skill assessments and feedback to motorcycle riders.

Motorcycle Safety is Focus of Skills Training, Sobriety Initiatives

(GLEN BURNIE, MD) – In conjunction with National Ride to Work Day on June 17, Maryland State Police and the MDOT MVA Highway Safety Office reminded motorcycle riders of two programs designed to help reduce crashes and fatalities and help Maryland's 283,000 registered motorcyclists stay safe.

BikeSafe Maryland provides motorcycle riders with free skills assessments and valuable feedback from troopers with MSP's Motorcycle Unit, and officers from the Maryland Transportation Authority (MDTA) Police and local police departments.

The program is operated by Maryland State Police. Riders learn techniques promoting motorcycle control, collision avoidance and overall safety. The program is open to all motorcyclists with a valid motorcycle license or learner's permit.

"Take the time to enhance your knowledge and skills with every opportunity that presents itself," said 1st Sgt. Brett Canfield, commander of the Maryland

State Police Motorcycle Unit. "BikeSafe Maryland is a great opportunity to learn from experienced police motor officers."

Visit bikesafemd.com for information or to enroll in a free BikeSafe session. Riders of all types of motorcycles and trikes are invited to participate. BikeSafe Maryland is funded through a grant from the MDOT MVA Highway Safety Office and is supported by law enforcement agencies across the state.

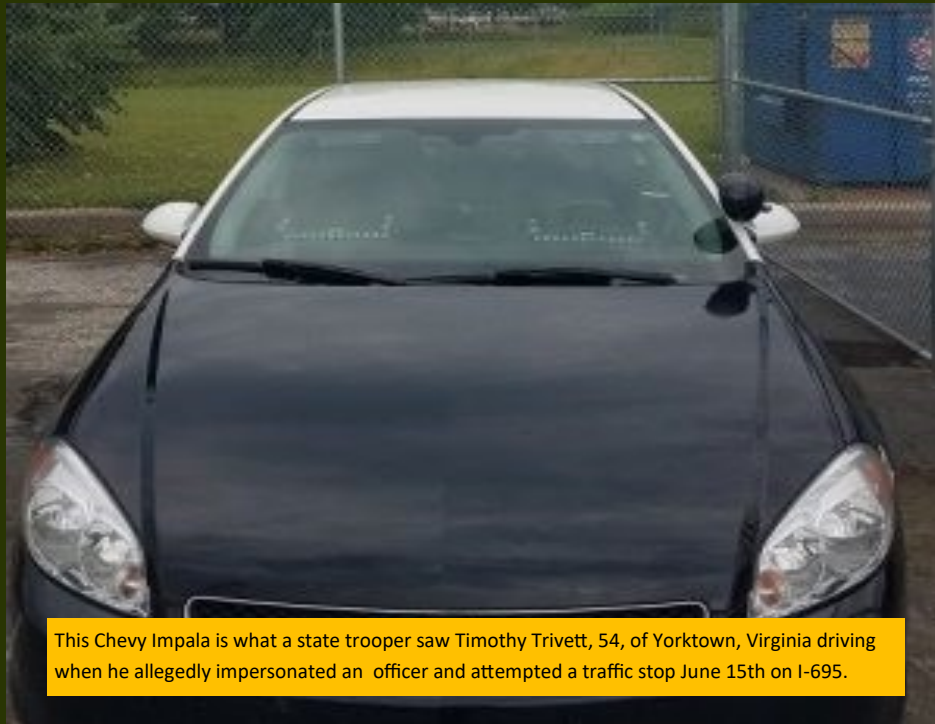
Another program sponsored by the highway safety office promotes sober riding by placing PODS storage units at restaurants where motorcyclists can store their bikes for free if they have too much to drink.

"One out of three motorcycle-involved fatal crashes are attributed to an impaired rider," said Chrissy Nizer, MDOT MVA Administrator and Governor Larry Hogan's Highway Safety Representative.

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This Chevy Impala is what a state trooper saw Timothy Trivett, 54, of Yorktown, Virginia driving when he allegedly impersonated an officer and attempted a traffic stop June 15th on I-695.

Observant Trooper Arrests Alleged Police Impersonator In Baltimore County

(BALTIMORE) — An observant Maryland state trooper located and arrested a police impersonator attempting to make a traffic stop last month on I-695.

The accused is identified as Timothy E. Trivett, 54, of Yorktown, Virginia. Trivett was arrested on scene without incident and charged with impersonating a police officer and multiple handgun charges. He was the driver and sole occupant of a Chevy Impala involved in the incident.

Shortly before 8:30 p.m. on June 15th, a Maryland state trooper observed a 2012 black and white Chevy Impala with blue and white flashing lights, attempting to make a traffic stop on a Honda Accord on the outer loop of I-695 at Green Spring Avenue in Baltimore Co.

The trooper pulled behind the Impala and immediately made contact with the impersonating police officer, later identified as Trivett. The suspect was wearing what appeared to be police equipment, body armor and a

uniform.

State Police consulted with the Baltimore County State's Attorney's Office on the case. Trivett was processed at the Golden Ring Barrack and transported to the Baltimore County Detention Center where he was later released on an unsecured bond.

The investigation is continuing.

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